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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For: CHROMIUM DIOXIDE (CrO_2) AND COMPOSITES OF CHROMIUM DIOXIDE AND OTHER OXIDES OF CHROMIUM SUCH AS CrO_2/Cr_2O_3 AND CrO_2/Cr_2O_5) AND PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

Attorney Docket No.: 3875.041

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attn: Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims; which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.